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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above-referenced patent application, please enter the
following amendments:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Due to a typographical error, the originally filed claims were inadvertently and
incorrectly numbered. Please replace claims 19-36 with the following claims 18-35.

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18. The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the first event source is an object on a
digital device.